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SUBJECT: REACTION TO ASEAN-US MINISTERIAL

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: SINGAPORE MEDIA REACTION TO US-ASEAN MINISTERIAL CONTINUES FAVORABLE, ALTHOUGH THERE WAS COMMENT ON THE SPARSE COVERAGE GIVEN THE MEETING BY US NEWS MEDIA. SINGAPORE PAPERS HAVE FEATURED STORIES BY THEIR US CORRESPONDENTS PLAYING UP US PLEDGES ON THE COMMON FUND, THE VALUE OF THE "CONSCIOUSNESS-RAISING" EXERCISE AND PARTICULARLY THE REPORTED US PLEDGE TO CONSULT WITH ASEAN ON ALL MATTERS AFFECTING THE REGION. ONLY SLIGHT COVERAGE WAS GIVEN TO DISAGREEMENTS ON THE RECENTLY-INITIATED TEXTILE ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATIONS; MENTION OF UNHAPPINESS OVER US HUMAN RIGHTS WAS BRIEF AND BURIED IN A FEW STORIES.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER RAJARATNAM TOLD NEWSMEN ON HIS
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RETURN TO SINGAPORE AUG 11 THAT THE US WOULD CONSULT WITH ASEAN EVERY TIME IT CONTEMPLATES MEASURES WHICH DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY AFFECT ASEAN'S INTERESTS. RAJA SAID THAT ALTHOUGH ASEAN DID NOT GET EVERYTHING THEY WANTED, THE MEETING TOOK US-ASEAN RELATIONS A FEW STEPS FURTHER. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL: RAJA'S REPORTED UNDERSTANDING
OF THE US COMMITMENT TO CONSULT GOES BEYOND REPORT
REFTEL, WHICH MENTIONS (PARA 3) PLEDGE TO CONSULT
ON COURSE OF US-SRV RELATIONS AND UN INDIAN OCEAN
TALKS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION FROM
DEPT AS TO EXTENT OF US PROMISE.
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